

Interstate and Intrastate Movement of Cervids (deer of all species, elk, and moose):

REQUIRED FOR ALL MOVEMENTS OF LIVE CERVIDS

- All movements of captive deer, elk, or moose into or within New York require a prior permit issued by the Department of Agriculture and Markets. This includes movement of live animals for:
 - temporary exhibition
 - movement of animals from one herd to another on the same farm
 - movement to other breeding herds, hunting preserves and slaughter facilities regardless of the location of the premises of origin or destination.
- Permit applications and instructions on how to fill out the permit are found at: <http://agriculture.ny.gov/AI/Aldeer.html> Contact the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets, Division of Animal Industry at cervidfarm@agriculture.ny.gov to obtain a permit. Please allow at least 5 business days to process intrastate movement permits and interstate export permits.
- In addition, for cervids not going directly to slaughter, animals must meet the interstate (from outside of New York) or intrastate (New York to New York) movement requirements.

INTERSTATE MOVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

1) CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE REQUIREMENTS

- New York considers any cervid of the following genera as CWD susceptible: Alces (moose), Odocoileus (white-tailed deer, mule deer, black-tailed deer), Cervus (elk, red deer, sika deer and other exotic species and sub-species of Cervus)
- New York prohibits the importation of any CWD susceptible cervids from outside the state with the limited exception of exotic cervids going from one AZA (Association of Zoos and Aquariums) accredited zoo to another AZA accredited zoo.

2) TUBERCULOSIS REQUIREMENTS

- Except for captive cervids from a qualified herd or monitored herd, classified by the state of origin as provided in federal rule, captive cervids that are not known to be infected with or exposed to tuberculosis, may be moved interstate only in accordance with the federal rule, 9CFR Part 77, and, if moved anywhere other than directly to slaughter at a recognized slaughtering establishment, under one of the following additional conditions:

(a) Directly from a TUBERCULOSIS ACCREDITED HERD:

- A captive cervid from an accredited herd may be moved interstate without further tuberculosis testing only if it is officially identified and is accompanied by an interstate certificate of veterinary inspection (ICVI) that includes a statement that the captive cervid is from an accredited herd. If a group of captive cervids from an accredited herd is being moved interstate together to the same destination, all captive cervids in the group may be moved under one ICVI.

(b) Directly from a HERD NOT ACCREDITED:

- The captive cervids are officially identified; and
 - Are accompanied by an ICVI stating that the herd from which they originated was negative to a whole herd test conducted within 1 year prior to the date of movement and that the individual animals to be moved were negative to an additional official tuberculin test conducted within 90 days prior to the date of movement; Except that: The additional test is not required if the animals are moved interstate within 6 months following the whole herd test.
 - A whole herd test is an official tuberculosis test of all captive cervids in a herd that are 12 months of age or older, and of all captive cervids in the herd that are less than 12 months of age and were not born into the herd, except those captive cervids that are less than 12 months of age and were born in and originated from an accredited herd.
 - Alternatively, the individual Cervids to be moved can be isolated from all other cervids and cattle for 4 months and then be tuberculosis tested together as an assembled herd. A second tuberculosis test is required at least 90 days after the first test and within 90 days of movement.
- In addition, if the deer or elk is moving to an accredited herd from a herd which is not accredited, the animals must be isolated at the farm of destination for 90 days and then retested negative for tuberculosis before being comingled with the receiving herd.

3) BRUCELLOSIS REQUIREMENT

- Deer originating from Certified Brucellosis-Free cervid herds (same testing schedule as tuberculosis accredited) do not require testing for interstate movement;
- All sexually intact deer 180 days of age or older from Brucellosis-Monitored cervid herds must test negative for brucellosis within 90 days prior to interstate movement;
- All other sexually intact deer 180 days of age or older must be tested for brucellosis within 30 days prior to interstate movement.
- If moving into a Certified Brucellosis-Free herd, a negative Brucellosis test is required within 30 days before movement and retest 60-180 days after addition to the Brucellosis Certified herd and at the next herd recertification test.

INTRASTATE MOVEMENT REQUIREMENT

1) CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE REQUIREMENTS

- New York considers any cervid of the following genera as CWD susceptible: Alces (moose), Odocoileus (white-tailed deer, mule deer, black-tailed deer), Cervus (elk, red deer, sika deer and other exotic species and sub-species of Cervus)

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- Movements within New York of CWD susceptible species will be allowed only if the herd of origin is a CWD Certified Herd with an inventory done within the previous 12 months. The herd of destination must be in current compliance with either the CWD Herd Certification Program or the CWD Monitoring Program.

2) TUBERCULOSIS REQUIREMENTS

- Cervids originating directly from a herd which was assembled or tested in the past 36 months may be moved within New York without individual testing.
- Cervids over 12 months of age originating in a herd that was tested within the past 60 months but not within the past 36 months must be individually tuberculosis tested within 90 days of movement.
- Cervids originating in a herd which has not had a tuberculosis test within the past 60 months can be isolated from all other cervids and cattle for 4 months and then be tuberculosis tested together as an assembled herd.
- In addition, if the deer or elk is moving to an accredited herd from a herd which is not accredited, the animals must be isolated at the farm of destination for 90 days and then retested negative for tuberculosis before being comingled with the receiving herd.

3) BRUCELLOSIS REQUIREMENTS

- There is no brucellosis testing requirement for cervids moving within the state.
- If moving into a Certified Brucellosis-Free herd, a negative Brucellosis test is required within 30 days before movement and retest 60-180 days after addition to the Brucellosis Certified herd and at the next herd recertification test.
 - If the herd of origin is also a Certified Brucellosis-Free herd, no Brucellosis testing is required prior to movement.